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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire  
Chief Clerk & Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
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RE: Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated for Adjustment of  
Rates and Charges  
Docket No: **2020-125-E**

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has been actively participating in the above referenced docket hearings including the ratepayer hearings. Based upon the testimony and evidence presented to the Commission up to this point and the extraordinary circumstances confronting citizens and ratepayers, ORS offers its recommendation to Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated, to all parties in this proceeding, and to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission"), that a ratemaking "pause" be considered and permitted for a minimum of six (6) months beyond the pending deadline to issue a regulatory decision. ORS recognizes that its recommended pause would require an express agreement by DESC followed by approval of the Commission. ORS respectfully offers its ratemaking pause recommendation because it is timely, measured in scope and reasonable.

As a matter of perspective, in two rate cases pending before the Commission last year, all parties were able to reach an agreement to suspend applicable deadlines. In one case, the hearing and issuing a final decision were delayed beyond the statutory six-month deadline. In another case, the rate impact of the Commission Order was delayed.

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Given all the adverse economic events and circumstances that now confront DESC ratepayers at this time and are reflected in the record in this case, I respectfully request the opportunity to address the Commission on this urgent matter.

Yours Truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nanette S. Edwards".

Nanette Edwards

cc: All Parties of Record (via E-mail)  
David Butler, Esquire (via E-mail)